THE EVE OF THE STATE CONVENTION. DISSENSION AND APATHY-CANDIDATES FOR PLACE

-THE PLATFORM. The reunion of the opposing Republican elements in Pennsylvania has had a most dispiriting effect upon the Democrats, who are to hold a State Convention in Harrisburg to-day. The delegates are slow to arrive, and the leading men show little interest in the convention. The candidates for nomination are not strong men or men of note. A correspondent of THE TRIBUNE, in a dispatch subjoined, gives a review of the Democratic

THE PARTY NOT EXPECTING VICTORY. REPUBLICAN UNITY CASTS A GLOOM OVER DEMOC-RACY.

INT TELEGRAPH TO THE TRIBUNE, HARRISBURG, July 31,-Never before in the history of the Democrats in Pennsylvania has there been so little interest manifested on the eve of State Convention as is shown in the gathering tomorrow. Although under the new rules adopted at the last convention the number of delegates has been increased from 251 to 359, the number of delegates thus far in attendance is far below the average for an off year. The reunion of the Kepublican forces has quite demoralized the Democracy; besides, the Democrats have dissensions in their own ranks, which almost divide them into two hostile camps. The administrative acts of Governor Pattison have called forth adverse criticism from Chairman Hensel, of the State Committee, and a formidable opposition has arisen in the Legislature to the continuance of the extraordinary session called by the Governor to make the apportion-This was disclosed this morning when several Democrats voted with the Republicans for an adjournment of the Assembly. WALLACE AND CASSIDY OUT.

While the old Wallace and Randall feud has died out, a new one between ex-Senator Wallace and Attorney-General Cassidy has taken its place, and while it may occasion no outbreak in the con ven tion, it creates distrust and lack of interest. The fee mg generally among Democrats that with a united party the Republicans will achieve an easy victory this fall, has had the effect to dampen the arder of many spells-hunting Democrats, who would otherwise be glad to take the chances of a nomination. While the delegates are tardy, there a notable absence of the leaders and representative men of the party. Ex--enator Wallace has gone to the seashore; ex-Schator Buckalsw, who was a delegate and who was expected to preside over the convention, has sent his regrets that he cannot be present; ex-Senator Randall and Attorney-General Cassidy are the only distinguished men of the party in attendance, and they are merely lookers on here. Mr. Randall was urged to become a condidate in order that he might be chosen president, but he peremptorily declined. Neither he nor the Astorney. General has indicated any preference for any particular candidate. The convention will be left free to make its choice from such material as it may choose. Many names have been mentioned, includ ing those of several members of the present Legisla-There is a disposition among the rural delegates to oppose any man who a seat in the General Assembly and Speaker Faunce, who, until to-day was undecided whether or not to become a candidate for State Treasurer, announced this morning that he would not enter the race. Other prominent names have been dropped from the list of candidates, including the strong one of William F. Harrity chairman of the Philadelphia City Committee. WHO THE CANDIDATES ARE.

The names of the candidates still in the field, as furnished by Chairman Hensell, are: For State Treasurer, Joseph Powell, ex-Congressman and banker Bradford County : B. K. Jamison, banker, Philadelphia; J. K. Bogert, editor, Luzerne County; Thomas McReynold, lawcer and member of the Legislature, Bucks County: William Wasson, oilproducer. Venango County; B. J. McGrann, contractor, Lancaster County; and B. B. McCool, Schnylkill County. For Auditor-General, George R. Goss, editor, Chester County; W. Haves Grier, Lancaster County; J. K. P. Duff, Allegheny County; R. J. Nicholson, member of the Legislature. Jefferson County; J. W. Walker, member of the Legislature, Eric County; B. Whitman, editor, Eric County ; J. L. Brown, member of the Legislature, Elk County; J. L. McKuney, oil producer, Crawford County; and Robert McCaithan, of Cumberland County. In view of this long fist of candidates it is impossible to predict with any degree of certainty who will be successful. Such indications as there are point to the nomination of an Ea-tern man for State Treasurer and a Western man for Auditor-General. The only combination spoken of to-night is that of Powell for Treasurer and Whitman for Auditor-General.

ACTION OF THE STATE COMMITTEE. The State Committee agreed to-night that the toll of delegates should be called by counties instead of alphabetically, as heretofore, and to appoint a committee of fifty on organization, Robert E. James, of Northampton, will probably be chairman of the convention. The platform will chairman of the convention. The platform will give an unqualified indors ment to the administrae an unqualified indors ment to the administran of Governor Pattison and condemn
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nocratic members of the Legislature
ther or not they shall vote to continue in sesther following is the resolution covering the
fit question and the Wharton-Barker pinck in
Republican platform, recommending the disoution of the surplus in the United States
assury:

Treasury:

Resolved. That we believe in such taxation of the people as is requisite for the necessities of the Government economically administered, and that import duties should be so adjusted in their application as to prevent unequal burdens, encourage productive industries at home and afford just compensation to labor, but not create or foster monopoles.

Resolved. That we deny and denounce as unconstitutional and unsound the proposition that the Federal Government should raise by faxation excessive revenues to be divided among the Strees. We demand that the Government shall redeem all its express and implied obligations as to column that it shall maintain and defeud the dignity of American labor and the rights of American citizens at home and abroad.

The convention will assemble in the Oness Heaven

The convention will assemble in the Opera House at 10 o'clock in the morning and be called to order by Chairman Hensell, of the State Committee. Midnight—There is a movement later to-night for ex-Congressman Jacob Turney, of Westmoreland County, for Auditor-General, if he will consent to the use of his name. This points to a ticket of Powell and Turney.

THE LONG CONTEST AT CONCORD. NO INDICATION THAT THE STRUGGLE IS NEARING

AN END. [BY TELEGRAPH TO THE TRIBUNE.] Boston, July 31 .- The New-Hampshire Senatorial contest is not yet flushed, and the voting to-day not indicate that a termination of the struggle is near at hand. A dispatch to The Journal says that the attendance to-day was good for the opening formal ballot, there being only twenty-one abscutees. Pike's votes were a great disappointment to his supporters and a surprise to others. His figures, eighty, are only one ahead of what he claimed he would have had on Friday if his friends had all been present. There is little pros-pect that Pike will go much higher, unless a general breakup, should cak-up should occur, of which there is now indication; and, even in that case, is not probable that he could get crease. His weakness in his own county s unfavorable to him, he receiving to-day only three votes of the Concord delegation. Hook, of Chi-chester, and Hutchins, of Concord, voted for Moody. aner, of Mauchester, and Smith, Republican, of North-id, voted for Charles E. Tilton, Democrat, of Tilton. als first appearance in the contest. Eastman voted for Marston, which was followed by cheering. Burns, of

and if his prospects continue to improve he will probably get the delegation practically solid. The Rev. Dr. George B. Spaulding, of Manchester, came into the race. Gallinger had 6 votes and an earcest boom for him is likely to occur soon. Chandler dropped to 21 and will soon be out of the race. Pike developed much a rength in Manchester, Briggs voting for him and using his best personal influence for him. Marston gained 2 and his friends are as plucky as ever.

PENNSYLLANIA APPORTIONMENT.

HARRISBURG, Penn., July 31 .- New Congressional and legislative apportionment bills were introduced in the House to-day. The former gives the Republicans seventeen districts and the Democrats eleven. The latter bill gives the Republicans thirty Senators and the Democrats twenty.

In the Senate a resolution was adopted to adjourn on Tuesday next.

MASSACHUSETTS REPUBLICANS. Boston, July 31 .- The State Republican

Committee to-day designated Boston as the place of holding the State Convention and September 19 as the date. Charles R. Codman, of Boston, was invited to preside over the State Convention.

THE DEATH OF CAPTAIN WEBB.

A TALK WITH THE SWIMMER'S WIFE. HER CONFIDENCE IN HER HUSBAND'S POWERS-THE INQUEST.

IBY TELEGRAPH TO THE TRIBUNE.I BUFFALO, July 31 .- The observed of all observers at Niagara Falls to-day was the widow of Captain Webb. She arrived there last night, accompanied by Mr. Kyle, to attend the inquest upon her husband's body. Before admission could be had to the cemetery vault this morning the two proceeded to the whirlpool. When they reached the bank, from which a good view of the maelstrom could be obtained, Mrs. Weeb exclaimed; Why, there is nothing there that my 'Mat' couldn't o." She subsequently examined the rapids, and came to the conclusion that her husband swam them in safety but met his death by coming in contact with jagged rocks at the mouth of the whirlpool.

Mrs. Webb is only twenty four years of age, is small in stature, and has a refined ap-pearance. In conversation with a reporter she stated that she had been married to Captain Webb three years, during which time they had travelled over a large portion of Europe. She came to America last May, and ever since has lived in a cottage at Nantasket Beach, in ston Harbor. She said she had implicit confidence in Captain Webb's judgment; and when he talked of swimming the Nisgara she raised no objection. The widow stated that her possessions were limited, consisting amost endrely of £1,500 in 2 kg per cent consols.

The repert of the burial of Captain Weeb's body yesterday in the Potters' Field was incorrect. The story was founded on the fact that the grave had been dug and the Board of Health recommended that the burish take place. The body was still in the cemetery vault this morning, but was not clothed in the much-talked-of suit of black, nor did it rest in a polished coffin.
Immediately after returning from the rapids Mrs. Webb went to the cemetery. She was urged to spare herself the pain which an inspection of the remains would cause, but she could not be dissuaded. Her first exclamation when the seest was removed was, "Os, that is not my 'Mat." She soon discovered her mistake and then it was all her escort could do to remove her from the vault, the atmosphere of which was stifling Mrs. Webb consented to permit the body to be buried until fall, when it is believed that it will be in better condition for removal. It is under-stood that it will be taken to Nantasket Beach or to England, "I intend to live permanently in America," Mrs. Webb said to The Tathune correspon-Beach or to England. "Tintend to live permanently in America," Mrs. Webb said to This Trittunk correspondent. "But circumstances may arise to make me coance my mind. Two collidren are left fatheriess by the Captain's death. One is a boy two years old and the other is a girl of eight months. The boy is a perfect image of his father. We left Liverpool on the 19th of last May. Mr. Webb had \$600 for his first week's work at Nantasket. On his return from Niagarn he was to receive \$2,000 a week. When he returned from his first visit to the rapids are told me the danger had been greatly exaggerated. In fact the Americans, he said, had not much of an inea of water. I must deny the report that I tried to dissuide him from the swim. He expect d to swim the rapids once a week as a speculation. He was looking forward to a prosperous time. He was full of confidence. It was one of his pet sayings that a man cound live in sort where a best would die. I am certain he would have succeeded and he not been thrown against a rock or some other obstruction."

The Coroner's jury returned the following verdiet at 6:45 a rock or some other obstruction."

The Coroner's Jury returned the following verdier at 6:45 the evening: "We find that Captain Matthew Webb came to his death while attempting to swim the wairipool rapius of the Niagara River. The immediate cause of his death the jury are unable to determine."

THE FIRE RECORD.

A SKIN MILL DESTROYED. INV TELEGRAPH TO THE TRIBUNE.

JOHNSTOWN, N. Y., July 31.-The skin mill of John V. and Charles King, known as the David Miller mill, was to-day destroyed by fire, together with severa thought to have been of lucendlary origin, as it burst forth in every part of the building at once. The mill had recently been purchased for \$25,000. The loss is estimated at \$56,000. Keck & Briggs held \$18,000 on estimated at \$50,000. Reck & Briggs held \$15,000 on the building and machinery, and \$8,000 on stock, divided equally in the North British, Mercanulle, Commercial Union and the Continental. There was \$16,000 additional insurance on stock with Evans Brotaers, J. H. Decker, Son & Co., and P. P. Argersinger & Co. A large number of employes are thrown out of work. Several other manufacturers will be obliged to stop work, as they had stock stored in the mill.

VALUABLE HORSES BURNED.

ORANGEVILLE, Ont., July 31.—The extensive stables belonging to the Gordon House were burned to-day, and the celebrated trotting-horses General Bra-

LOSSES IN VARIOUS PLACES.

SAN FRANCISCO, July 31 .- Last night fire destroyed property estimated at \$120,000; hastrance,

SALEM, Mass., July 31 .- The barn of Horatto Perry at Danvers Plains was burned this morning; less, \$20,000; partly insured. The cause of the fire was the spon-

WILMINGTON, Del., July 31 .- Joel Woodward's flour mill at Newark was burned by an incendlary fire last night, together with 1,000 bushels of grain and a quan-tity of flour; loss estimated at \$10,000, partly insured. DETROIT, July 31 -The Oscoda dait and Lumber Company's mill at Oscoda was burned to the ground last night. The origin of the fire is unknown. The loss has not been reported, but was heavy; insurance, \$50,000.

TAKING STRYCHNINE FOR QUININE.

[BY THE TELEGRAPH TO THE TRIBUNE.]

COLUMBIA, S. C., July 31.-A suspicious case of poisoning is reported from Williamsburg County. A young man named Cox was employed as a clerk by a merchant named Foxworth. Cox was troubled with chills and fever for which he was using quinine. Foxworth purchased a small quantity of strychnine to polson rats, wrapped it up in white paper without labelling it and placed it in a vase in which Cox had previously placed several quisine powders wrapped in the sar kind of paper. When Cox came in he took the stry placed several quinne payders whapped in the stryen-sind of paper. When Cox came in he took the stryen-one from the vase tanking it was quinine and swallow-ed it. The next minute he cried out, "My God, an i poisoned?" And before the physician who was sum-nouned reached him he was dead. The Coroner's jury rendered a verdict that his death was caused by the gross carelessness of his employer.

STABBING THREE MEN ON A BOAT.

[BY TELEGRAPH TO THE TRIBUNE.] MATAWAN, N. J., July 31 -William Mesner, while under the influence of liquor, created a disturbance on the steamboat Magesta, which made an excursion from this place to Coney Island last night. Just before the boat reached the pier, without any cause whatever be stabbed Jacob Flyn to the arm, cutting an artery, and in the back of the neck. In his endeavors to escape from Officer Strong, who arrested him, he stabbed Francis Howard and G. Cottrell. Dr. Arrowamite pronounced Flyu's injuries dangerous, but not necessarily fatal. Mesner was committed to the county jail at Freehold.

THE CHARGES AGAINST LEONARD.

New-Haven, Conn., July 31.-Mrs. Clarence Leonard, accompanied by her mother, came up from New-York this morning to testify in the case in which her husband, the actor, was arrested for improper inlimacy with Mrs. Gerard. Mrs. Leonard intends to secure a divorce from her husband, the papers having been served two months ago. Both she and her mother are augry at the reports which Leonard has circulated that he was not legally married to her. Mrs. Van Gerbust, Marston, which was followed by cheering. Burns, of liton, reached 39. He is popular in Merrimack County, have set him up in business by buying up a play in which

RISKING HIS OWN LIFE FOR A FRIEND.

James Bedford, a bricklaver, of No. 344 Thirdave., and Riebard Clark, of No. 125 East Eleventhst., were among the visitors at Rockaway Beach yesterday. Bedford, who was about twenty-two years old, did not feel well enough in the years old, did not feel well enough in the morning to go to work and determined on the pleasure-trip with his friend. The two young men went in bathing at the upper end of the beach at about 2 o'clock. Bedford did not know how to swim and was carried out from the shore by a strong undertow. He sank after a short struggle. Clark endeavored to save his friend and almost succeeded in his efforts, but Redford struggled so violently that Clark had to release him to save his own life. Clark was rescued in an unconscious condition by the crew of the Life Saving Raft, and soon recovered consciousness. The body of Bedford was washed ashere about twenty minutes after he sauk and vigorous efforts were made by Captain Carpenter, of the Rockawaw Beach Police, and others to resuscitate him, but without success. citate him, but without success.

A brother of the drowned man lives at No. 125
East Eleventh-st., in the same house with Clark. A
telegram was sent to him and he left the city last
night for Rockaway Beach to obtain his brother's
body. The accident created much excitement at
the Beach.

RAILWAY OFFICIALS CENSURED.

CHARGED WITH NEGLECT AT THE CARLYON DIS-

ASTER. CHICAGO, July 31,-The relatives of Thomas Hoyne, who was killed in the accident on the Rome, Watertown and Ogdensburg road, give a deplorable recital of the condition of affairs in and about the wreck, and upbraid severely the alleged neglect of the railway officials. A son of Mr. Hoyne relates that the trainmen refused to allow the coffin to be opened to guard against the possibility of mistaken identity. He was unable by any process to reach the scene of the disaster by making application to the railway authorities. The daughter of Mr. Horne states that no attention was paid to the dead after the accident, and that holdes were lying on the side of the road exposed to the sun fourteen hours after the dissister. It is further declared that persons were opening values and searching the dead bodies while the employees of the road were removing the debris. Mr. Hoyne had a large sum of money with aim, but his rela-tives state that his watch and all other valuables are missing, though a portion of them may be in the custody of the corener.

PHILADELPHIA, July 31. - The bodies of Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Boos, victims of the disaster at Carl, on, were brough here this morning. The funeral took place this afternoon and was attended by members of the Grand Army of the Republe, and the officers and employes of the Quarter-mast r's Department, United States Army, to which Mr. Boos belonged.

REPORTED RAILWAY DISASTER DENIED.

NO ACCIDENT TO THE GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUB-LIC EXCUESION.

DENVER, Col., July 31 .- The report in circulation yesteroay that the Grand Army of the Republic excursion train had been wrecked in Black Cafton, on the Denver and Rio Grande Rallway, and that a great number of lives had been lost, has not the least foundation in fact. Absolutely nothing has occurred to mar the picasure of the excursion.

PHILADELPHIA, July 31.-Dispatches from the West announcing the wreeking of a train bearing the Grand Army excursion in Black Cafion, near tire Grand River, caused considerable excitement in this city among the friends of the Grand Army men who went last week to participate in the National Encampment in Denver. A great many went from talsetty, prominent among whom were General Louis Wagner and General Robert B. Beath, who was the choice of the encampinent for National Comma der of the order. Their friends, however, up to a late hour this afternoon had received no word of any accident to ether of them.

ENCOURAGING CROP REPORTS.

St. Louis, July 31 .- The correspondent of the Agricultural Department for Normera Texas re-ports early planted cotton well irrulted, with faces now not fall within a few days the plant will stop growing, and should this happen rain would be of little benefit, as the second growth would come too late for the plant to mature. The later-planted cotton is doing finery. The crop is from ten to fifteen days late, and there is 10 to 15 per cent less acreage. The crop of wheat is a Corn has been injured somewhat by drouth. The early planted is a fair crop, but the later planted, it is believed, will be cut off one-half. Still there will be plenty to supply all home demands. Supply all home demands.

Thor, N. Y., July 31.—In Washington County the farmers have about finemed haying. Eve is being harvested. The hay cro, is the best known for a number of years. The rye crop is about the average. The outcrop is good and is nearly fit for the reaper. Flax is good but little was raised in comparison with former years. Corn is doing well and promises a fair yield. Potatoes are damaged to some extent by bugs.

COAL PRICES FOR AUGUST.

PHLADELPHIA, July 31.—Notice of a general advance of 10 cense a ton in the tolls on coal shipped both by rall and canal was given to-day by the Palindelphia and Reading Railroad Company to take effect August 1. The new circular announcing the line and ity and harbor prices of coal were issued this afternoon by the Philaderphia and Rusding Coal and Iron Com by the Philadelphia and Radiug Coal and fron Company. There is no change in the line and city prices, but the harbor prices embody the 10 cents advance in tons, and are as follows: \$4.30 for lump, steamboat, broken and egg; \$4.40 for chestmut; \$4.55 for stove, and \$2.55 for pea. These rates are for white-ash coal, and they are 25 cents higher on stove and chestum, and 15 cents lower on pea than they were one year ago. Lump, steamboat, oroken and egg are unchanged from the prices of last August.

COMMITTEE ON INDIAN GRIEVANCES.

CHICAGO, July 31 .- Senator Dawes, of Masachusetts, Chairman of the Select Committee appointed by the United States Senate to investigate the grievance f the Indians on the Dakota and Montaga reservations is in the city. Other members of the committee, Sens tors Logan, Vest, Cameron of Wisconsin and Morgan of Alabama, Representative Haskell, of Kansas, and Delegate Maggins, of Montana, are "Expected to arrive to-morrow, when the plan of future action will be out-lined. It is expected the committee will start for St. Paul to-morrow afternoon.

THE LAKE MINNETONKA REGATTA.

St. PAUL, Minn., July 31.-Hanlan, Lee, Plaisted, However and Teemer arrived here last evening and went immediately to Lake Minnetonka, where the races occur on August 1 and 2.

A PRISON INSTRUCTOR STABBED.

ALBANY, N. Y., July 31 .- John Kerwin, who was sentenced from Coboes to the Albany Pentientiary, stabbed Prison Instructor George W. Gray in the neck yesterday without provocation. Gray will recover.

EARTHQUARE IN CALIFORNIA.

SAN FRANCISCO, July 31 .- A dispatch from Gilroy hast evening reported two shocks of earthquake yesterday.

FOUND DEAD IN A HOTEL.

A man, age about thirty-four, applied for a room at No. 299 Bowery, about 3 p. m. yesterday. He gave his name as James Brown, and giving strict orders o be aroused at 5 o'clock, retired to the room assigned bin. At the appointed time the proprietor of the hotel, Charles Koch, attempted in valu to arouse his guest, whereupon he entered the roos and found him dead. The name given by the deceased is supposed to be false.

CRIMES AND CASUALTIES-BY TELEGRAPH

A FARMER'S BODY RIDDLED WITH BULLETS, GRAND FORKS, Dake, July 31.—George Inkster, a widely known farmer of this county, was herding his cattle when they became nursed with a passing head. In trying to superate them he got in trouble with the owners of the passing berd, who riddled his body with bullets. Two MEN KILLED AT A RAILROAD CROSSING. CITCINNATI, July 31.—A wagon containing Messrs, stadiancler and sidilipor, while crossing the track at South side to-day, was struck by the Indianapolis, Citcinnati and Lafayette express train. Stadiancle was killed and Sidilipor was fatally injured, and will des.

Lakeyette expenses and will die.

LEAVING HER HOME TO DROWN HERSELF,
CLEVELAND, July 31.—Mrs. Charles Borke, age
forty-three, lett her house it at night attited in her nichtdress,
waited to the lake at the foor of Wason-st, and drowned
herself. The neighbors have a theory that she was driven
insane by Burke's t. estment of her eighteen years-old son by
a former hasband, whom he interpretated of A. SAW. utes. Her time to Queenstown was 6 days 20 hours and

a former hasband, whom he lately drove from home.

KALLED BY THE BURSTING OF A SAW.

CARBONDALE, Penn., July 31.—George Rowley, while sawing in his mill this morning at this place, was its standly kined by the saw bursting, a large piece of which struck him in the neck, nearly severing his head from his body. His rather, who was standing close beside him, was aprinkled with his son's blood, but escaped injury.

he and his wife were to be the cutef attractions, but he mismanaged affairs and drank to such excess that it was a failure.

SCENES OF TERROR ON THE ISLAND. THE COLLAPSE OF THE THEATRE-THE SEARCH IN

THE RUINS OF CASAMICCIOLA. NAPLES, July 31,-The search of the ruins for odies of victims of the earthquake on the Island of Ischia was continued during the night. All the bodies recovered are buried immediately to prevent miasma. An eye-witness describes the scene at the theatre in Casamicciola when the earthquake occurred as an awful one. The curtain had just risen when a tremendous shock was felt. A fearful roar followed and the ground rocked like the sea in a storm. A great cry of terror arose from those in the andience, who were thrown into a heap, and many of them were buried beneath the timbers of the building, which fell upon them. Two more shocks occurred. All who could rushed outside of the theatre and hundreds of persons clambered into the trees in the vicinity for safety. Most of the people, however, escaped to the shore, where bonfires were lighted as signals of distress. Hundreds of half-naked men and women, wild with terror and grief, ran to and fro among the ruins with torches during the night searching for missing

CASAMICCIOLA TO BECOME A VAST CEMETERY. The burials of victims of the earthquake were continued throughout the day. Two hundred and eighty bodies were buried at Casamicciola. 90 at Lacco and 29 at Forio. The latest estimate places the number of deaths at between four and five thousand. As it would be impossible to recover and bury all bodies, Signor Genala, Minister of Public Works, has ordered that in view of the horrible exhalations from the decomposing remains, the unrecovered corpses be left where they lie and liquid lime be poured over the ruins made by the earthquake. Casamicciola will thus be con-

verted into a vast cemetery.

King Humbert, who has been sojourning in Menza, has gone to Casamicciols.

The Musicipality of Vienna has voted in favor of giving a large sum of money toward the relief of the sufferers.

AN AMERICAN SLIGHTLY INJURED.

MISS VAN ALLEN HURT-A MR. SOMMER INJURED. NAPLES, July 31.-The only American known to have been injured by the earthquake on the Island of Ischia on Saturday night was a Miss Van Alien; and she is only slightly burt. Among the persons who were also on the island was a Mr. Sommer, an English or American gentleman, who has been miss-ing since the earthquake. He was staying at the

It was stated by Assemblyman Lucas L. Van Allen hast evening that the " alise Van Allen " referred to in the foregoing dispatch is probably the daughter of Gen eral Van Alen, who is now at Newport for the summer. Miss Van Alen shad been spending some months in Southern Europe, and is supposed recently to have visited Iselina.

MT. VESUVIUS IN A STATE OF ERUPTION. Naples, July 31 .- Mt. Vesuvius is in a state of ernotion. Lava is descending from the crater in the direction of the town of Torre del Greco, at the southwest foot of the mountain.

CHOLERA AND YELLOW FEVER.

THE DEATH RECORD IN EGYPT.

LONDON, July 31 .- Special dispatches state that there were eight deaths at Alexandria from cholera yesterday. A surgeon has died in the British camp at El Werdan. The commander of the British forces at Cairo telegraphs to the War Office that the general health of the troops is good. He says that the cholera is less virulent in Cairo, and that the cases under treatment are more hopeful.

ALEXANDRIA, July 31.—Two deaths from cholera occurred here y-sterday. The number of deaths occurred here yesterday. The number of from the disease at Cairo yesterday was 275. from the discuss at Cairo yesternay was 275.

The deaths from cholera among the British troops in Egopt on Monday numbered six at Ismailia, one at Cairo, one at Helenan and one at El Wordan. The deaths among the natives in Egypt, exclusive of those at Cairo, numbered 429, including seventeen at Rosetta.

CONSTANTINOPLE, July 3.—Two cases of cholera are reported at the Lazaretto at Smyrna. One case has proved fatal.

AN APPEAL FOR LOCAL RELIEF.

An appeal has been issued for subscriptions to a fund for the restef of the sufferers by the catastrophe at the island of Ischia, near Naples. Contributions may be made at the offices of L'Eco d'Italia and Il Progresso. eribed are General Di Cessola, E. P. Fabbri, the Duke della Castelluccia. the Marchese Errico Ungaro, Chev-aler Cantalamessa-Papo ti, Condert Bros. Funch. Edy-& Co., Cantoni & Co. and Congressman Nicholas Muller Between \$300 and \$400 has already been subscribed.

SHIPPING FROM INFECTED PORTS.

Washington, July 31 .- The following dispatch was received by the Secretary of the Treasury totay through the Department of State, from[T. Z. Schuckat Vera Cruz: "Steamers Merida, Cafri, British Empire and sailing vessels Or on, Perim. Triumph, Sicilion and White Sen cleared talk week." The Consul has been requested to inform the Department to what ports the respective vessels are bound.

SUPPOSED CASES AT QUARANTINE.

A dispatch was received by the Quarantine Commissioners yesterday from the Health Officer stating that two men had been taken from the bark Havana which arrived at Queenstown from Matanzas on Saturday. They were supposed to be suffering from yel-low lever, and were placed in the hospital. One was Andrew Jackson, age twenty-seven, and the other Frank Merdes, age forty-two. Both were seamen. The dispatch also stated that Theodore Linden, an American seaman, age twenty-two, had been taken from the back C. C. Robinson slok with what might possibly turn out to be yellow fever.

No report had been made to the Commissioners of the
condition of the steamer Glenaryon which was detained
at Quarantine on Monday, because of having touched at
choicers infected ports.

MISCELLANEOUS FOREIGN NEWS.

THE CANAL QUESTION IN FRANCE. Paris, July 31 .- The action of the British Hous of Commons last night on the Suez Canal question gives satisfaction to the press and people of France, and is considered a guarantee of peace.

A FRENCH PROTECTORATE OVER TUNIS. Paris, July 31 .- A treaty between France and Tunis will be submitted in the Chamber of Deputies to-morrow. It confirms the establishment of a French protectorate, and stipulates that the Bey shall undertake reforms. France will grant Tunis a loan.

GENERAL PRENDERGAST RESIGNS.

HAVANA, July 31,-General Prendergast, Captain-General of Cuba, who was appointed Governor last year, has tendered his resignation, owing ostensibly to ill-health, and it has been accepted by the Home Government. He will start for Spain on Sunday. General Chinchilla, the Vice-Captain-General, has also resigned. General Castillo has been appointed General Prendergast's successor. Pending the arrival of the new Captain General General Reina will assume the duties of the office.

THE LIVERPOOL CONSPIRACY CASES. LIVERPOOL, July 31 .- Justice Stephen, charging the jury in the Assizes Court to-day, referred to the case of the conspirators, O'Herriny, Featherstone,

Densy, Finnnigan and Daiton, and said that the energo against them of conspiracy to aurder would scarcely hold good unless it was proved that the prisoners in-tended to commit marker when they attempted to blow A QUICK TRIP TO QUEENSTOWN. QUEENSTOWN, July 31 .- The Guion line steamer Aluska, Captain Murray, from New-York, July 24, for this port and Liverpool, passed Fastnet at 8 a. m to-day. Time of passage, 6 days 18 hours and 38 min

The Alaska on a previous eastern trip made the die tance from Now-York to Queenstown in 6 days, 18 hours and 37 minutes, more than two hours quicker than on her present trip. Her best time on a western trip was made on the trip beginning May 1. The time of passage

41 minuses.

was 6 days 23 bours and 48 minutes. The next fastest time each way has also been made by the Alaska.

ARRESTED AND PUT IN A MAD-HOUSE.

LONDON, Aug. 1 .- An American named Haine, who was in Paris with his wife and a friend, lost his way in the streets on Thursday last. Being lame be became nervous and much distressed. The police, noticing his agitated condition, believed him to be insane, and arrested him. He was consigned to a mad-house and only recovered by his friends on Monday.

DRIFTING WITH A CORPSE IN THE BOAT. HALIFAX, N. S., July 31.-The fishing ooner Humming Bird recently capsized in Mina Basin, off Cape Split, after an unusually large catch of herring. Parker Dyxens of Carleton, N. B., was drowned. George Gardler driffied with the boat and body until his cries for help were heard by Captain Durant, of the schooner Secord, at West Bay yesterday, who rescued him and took him to Pacraborough.

THE FATE OF JAMES CAREY.

DETAILS OF THE INFORMER'S DEATH.

SHOT IN THE PRESENCE OF HIS FAMILY-O'DONNELL

LONDON, July 31 .- Reuter's correspondent at Cape Town says that O'Donnell, who shot and killed James Carey, the informer, took passage for Cape Town, but learning that Carev was a fellow passenger he continued on the journey with him on the steamer Melrose and shot him when the steamer was close to Algoa Bay, in the presence of the informer's family. Carey died without speaking after he was shot. O'Donnell is calm. He is strongly guarded, as rumors are affoat that an attempt to rescue him will be made. A fund to be used in defending him is being collected. O'Donnell is an Irish American. He denies that he knew who Carey was previous to his arrival at Cape Town. It

is reported that an infernal machine was found in

O'Donnell's possession. Third-class berths on the steamer Kinfaung Castle were secured on June 30 at the Dublin office of Donald, Currie & Co. for Port Elizabeth for a "Mr. Power" and his wife and seven children, which, it was wellknown, was the exact number of James Carey's family. On July 2 O'Donnell secured passages for himself and wife on the same steamer. O Donnell was accompanied from England by his wife, who appeared to be on intimate terms with the Carey family during the voyage. Donald, Currie & Co. were not aware until yesterday of the identity of " Power."

O'DONNELL'S EXAMINATION BEGUN.

LONDON, Aug. 1 .- The Daily News has the following special dispatch dated Cape Town, July 31: "O'Donnell was examined before a Port Elizabeth magistrate to-day on the charge of murdering James Carey, the informer. According to the evidence given Carey and O'Donnell had been drinking in the second-class cabin just before the murder. When the steamer was balf way between Table Bay and Algoa Bay O'Donnell suddenly shot Carey in the nock with a revolver. Carey staggered away, and O'Donnell followed and shot him twice in the back. Carey died in twenty

minutes."
O'Donnell says he was a Californian digger. He O'Donnell says he was a Can-had lost largely in a silver mine. He was unaware of Carey's identity until he saw it stated in a Cape paper who "Power" was. He then determined to kill him.

THE NATIONALISTS AND THE MURDER.

LONDON, July 31 .- It is worthy of note that a umor prevailed in Nationalist circles in London ast Sunday night that James Carey had shot. An item stating that he had been been killed was tendered to a news agency in London at midnight on Sunday, but was refused as no authority was given for the statement. It has since been ascertained that a telegram had been received at Paris from Brindist which was forwarded to London on Sunday night, reading, "James Carey has been shot. Thank

As the steamer Melrose, on which Carey was shot did not reach Port Elizabeth until Monday, either, this statement was based on mere surmise or a statement which was openly made in certain Nationalist circles to the effect that it had been prearranged to kill Carey on the last Sunday in July was true. Unauthenticated rumors are current that O'Donnell is a relative of Joseph Brady, one of the Phosnix Park murderers who was hanged recently, and that Vigilauts are cognizant of the abode of Peter Carey. A fund is being collected in London to be used in defending O'Donnell.

REJOICING THROUGHOUT IRELAND.

DUBLIN, July 31. - A mob of men entered some of the houses in Abbey-st, to-night and seized bedding, furniture and other articles with which to make bonfires in celebration of the death of James Carey bonfires in celebration of the death of James Carey. Effliges of Carey were burned and mock funerals were used in various Irish towns to-night.

DUBLIN, August 1.—Eight enormous bonfires were built around James Carey's late residence last night. There were also fires in other streets throughout the city. Bands marched through the streets playing national airs, followed by crowds of people who cheered as they marched. A slight collision occurred between the crown and the police. The officials fear that the Femans will be much emboldened by these demonstrations.

COMMENTS IN ENGLAND AND IRELAND

LONDON, July 31 .- The Times pronounces the death of Carey a public misfortune. It says he has been an instrument of justice. The murder is calculated to encourage daring and lawless spirits to commit acts of violence. The joy caused in Ireland by the informer's death is proof that many elements of danger still exist there.

The Daily Telegraph says of the affair that no or can affect to lament the death of Carev, yet he had been a witness for justice, and his murder was the levelling of the pistol directly at law and order and the whole social system, as well as the reminder of the hateful spirit with which the survivors of Carev. Brady, Kelly and their companions were likely to prosecute the war on humanity already organized. The same paper believes that the murder was ordered from London Dublin or New-York, and that it would have taken place no matter what direction he had taken.

The Post refers to the murder as a startling proof of the discipline and determination of the secret

order existing in Ireland. The Daily News says the story of the assassina tion clearly shows in the peculiarly certain way in which this avenger of blood has overtaken his vic-tim, that the murder party in Ireland must have an extremely keen secret police organization. Save Guteau, it adds, no recent criminal has excited so much attention as Carey. While his murder is to be deplored, and the people feel only disgust at his career, his death can but bring terror to the hearts of other informers.

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The Standard says it would only be affectation to pretend that the death of any such notorious individual as Carey could excite sympathy. His death must mevitably be halled by the Irish as a great victory for the Invincibles.

The Dublin News says that while his death cannot but give joy to the real friends of Ireland, it is

also a menace, but the unhappy event gives proof, if that were needed, that the elements of danger continue to exist.

TELEGRAPH NOTES.

A SEASIDE SUNDAY-SCHOOL.

KEY EAST, N. J., July 31.—A meeting will be held here to-morrow to organize a seaside sunday-school and hibiteal assembly like the one at Chautauqua Lace.

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SING SING PHISON'S EARNINGS.

SING SING JULY 31.—The carainings at Sing Sing Prison for July are \$19,091 43, and the expenditures \$14,000 78, leaving a net profit for the month of \$5,010 03.

COINAGE AT THE PHILADELPHIA MINT.

PHILADELPHIA. July 31.—1'he colunge at the United states Mint in this city during the past month amounted to 3,0.5,000 pieces, valued at \$1,22,340. This amount was made up of 1,2.0,000 aliver coluna; 200,000 five-cent pieces, and 1,000,000 cents.

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TWO MEN PICKED UP AT SEA.

BALTIMORE, July 31.—Captain Bjonness, of the ship Jarksburg, at this port to-day from Hamburg, reports that on July 12, on the banks of Newfoundiand, he picked up Paul De La Roch and Julian Le Charpenter in a small boat belonging to the schooner Justar Prosper, who bad been boat belonging to the schooner Justar Prosper, who base out two days and inglits.

A MURDERER AT EIGHT YEARS OLD.

PIHLADRIPHIA, July 31.—William Walker, eleven, who was stabled with a butcher's knite last Satu by Edward Trodden, age eight, died this morning.

PRICE FOUR CENTS.

TROUBLE WITH THE WIRES

TELEGRAPHING SOMEWHAT DELAYED. THE COMPANY SAYS THAT WIRES HAVE BEEN CUT INDIGNANT DENIALS BY THE STRIKERS.

Apparently the only development in the telegraph strike yesterday was the trouble suffered by the Western Union Company in the working of the wires. It arose from both the cutting and cr of wires. The striking telegraph operators indig nantly repudiated the idea that any of their me bers had done the mischief, and declared that the Western Union was responsible. They said that the interference probably had occurred on the least in portant wires, and that to disguis-the inefficiency of the service the company had interrupted the wires itself. The employes of the Western Union were paid off on the extra-pay basis that was established a few days

after the strike began. The announcement was

made that the extra rates would be continued fo the present. No officer would commit himself to the statement that this arrangement would govern all the salaries due this month. MALICIOUS TAMPERING WITH THE WIRES. The representatives of the Western Union charged the delays that were complained of in the service at the Exchanges to malicious tampering with the wires. It was said, however, that not withstand this cause the business done was about up to the average, and was handled efficiently after the noon hour. It was not till that time that the trouble was removed. About 100 wires were interrupte from Monday night. There were thirteen between New-York and Williamsbridge, twelve between Williamsbridge and Scarsdale (just beyond William bridge), and all the wires on the Pittsburg, Fort Wayne and Chicago Railroad leading out of Chicago at Englewood, a place near Chicago, that were cut or crossed. The wires at Thirty-fourth and Fifty

eighth sts. and those leading to the oil regions also were tampered with. Press Agent Somerville said that some of the interruptions were caused by an actual severing of the wire. The most of it was due, however, to the crossing of wires by tying them together with thin wire about the cross-arms of the telegraph poles. The linemen out hunting for trouble could not see these cross connections fr darkness, and had great trouble in discovering them even in daylight. Between and teen and eighteen wires were cut Guttenberg, N. J. The company has established a patrol to protect the cables crossing the North and

buildings where numerous wires are connected. LEAVING THEIR KEYS OPEN. This trouble, it is asserted, did not prevent the ompany from clearing its books of messages on

East rivers and is also patrolling the house-tops of

Monday night. After noon yesterday business was done well, it was said. Annovance is experienced from the railroad telegraph operators, but it comes principally from irregularities committed when all the wires are tested as to their conditions in the morning. Mr. Somerville said that railroad men who would not dare to refuse commercial business would leave their keys open when the morning test was done and in that way and other ways prevent the company from using all the wires. The position of both the company and the wires. The was unchanged. The Western Union claimed two recruits from the strikers here, seven at Boston, and several at other places in the country, principally at the West and Northwest. It was mentioned by Mr. Someiville that the former manager at the office in Asheville, N. C. who had struck, had not been reinstated because his place had been filled before he applied to be taken back. No. more English operators are said to have arrived.

THE BROTHERHOOD'S LATEST ORDER.

If there has been any serious crippling of Western Union business on account of the latest order of the Brotherhood, the fact could not be learned cither from the Western Union or from the railroad companies. Inquiries made at numerous offices called out the same answer in substance: "There has been no interruption in the telegraph service as it is connected with the railroads, and none is expected. So far as the handling of business for the Western Union is concerned, our operators receive it as usual—subject to

"These delays," said E. S. Bowen, superintendent of the New-York, Lake Shore and Western Rail-way, "we cannot control. Operators make all sorts of excuses to discourage those who other commendations of excuses to discourage those who other commercial messages. They say that the wires are out of order and promot delivery cannot be guaranteed. If the sending of the message is insisted on, it is taken 'subject to delays' that sometimes last so long that the message is not sent at all. As regards our railroad work, we have no fault whatever to find with the telegraphers."

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"No change whatever since the issue of the last
order by the strikers," was the report at the NewYork Central and Hudson River Railroad office.

STRIKERS IN GOOD SPIRITS.

The leaders of the strike were in high spirits all day and professed themselves as more confident than ever of the success of the strike. It was stated that two of the men who went back to the Westers Union Company on Monday returned to the ranks of the strikers and brought with them two of the men who had been working steadily. The stories that the linemen have been tampering with the wires or have any intention of so doing were indianantiv denied. Fresh orders have been issued to the linemen not to meddle with the property of the

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company under any circumstances and the Brotherhood has offered a reward for the apprehension of
anybody found so interfering. Although it was payday at the Western Union office, none of the strikers
went to get the money due them. The report of the
attempt to cut the New-Jersey cables was regarded
as a hoax, and there was considerable merrument
at the expense of the Western Union officials
who took trouble to frustrate the attempt.

A meeting of the strikers was held in the after
noon at Clarendon Hall. Master Workman Mitchell
presided. A dispatch was read from Philadelphia
denying the report that there had been a break in
the ranks of the Brotherhood there. It concluded;
"We have lots of money and everybody is cheerful,"
Reports were received from Richmond, Portland,
Terre Hante, Jacksonville, Fla.; Pittsburg, Toledo,
Scranton, Augusta, Ga.; Rochester, London, Oat,
and Lonisville stating that everything was "solid"
A dispatch from Foronto said: "All Canada advices are favorable, esp-cially those from London,
Hamilton and Kingston." Speeches were made by
Messis, Morrison, McClelland, O'Reilly, Jansen and
others. A proposition to resume open meetings was
voted dowo.

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In speaking of the charges that the liuemen in-tended curring the cables, Mr. Mitchell said: "That is done purely for effect by the Western Union We have given specific orders that there shall be no such interference, and there will not be. We will not only prosecute any man found tampering with the wires, but in case any wires or cables are cut maliciously we will furnish the company with linemen to put them in repair. We are going to fight this battle fairly and squarely. We have sufficient confidence in

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James Smith, Master Workman of the Linemen's Assembly, said that any man who was found interfering with the Western Union wires would be expelled at once from the Brotherhood, and would besides stand a first-rate chance of getting a good "singging." "The only trouble with the Western Union wires," he added, " is 'natural trouble.' They have only got ten men in the city who can meet trouble, and it is impossible for them to keep the wires we could do it much more effectually than by cutting them. All we would have t-do would be to get some iron filings and throw them among the wires and it would break the connection a great deal better than cutting them, and it would be a great deal barder to fix than a simple cut."

Mr. Mitchell said that there would be important developments within the next twenty-four hours that would cause more excitement than anything that had yet been done. He reported also that swindlers were going around in the zame of